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MEMORANDUM

TO: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig **SMCRA Permit Supervisor**

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More than one mile of access road was recently constructed within Section 2, T16S, R6E, SLB&M, Emery County, Utah, in support of the Crandall Canyon mine rescue effort. The School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration ("SITLA") is the owner of the surface and mineral estates and administers the land for multiple uses. SITLA believes that much of the access road that was constructed may be very useful in furthering the development of, oil & gas, timber and other natural resources in the lands, both now and in the post mining era. SITLA therefore desires to designate certain portions of the access road as a permanent post mining land use feature upon Section 2. SITLA requests that such designated portions of access road not be reclaimed now, or in the foreseeable future, and that the SMCRA permit be amended accordingly.

SITLA will work closely with DOGM and with the current mine operator in stabilizing those portions of the access road that are designated by SITLA to remain open. All other portions of the access road that are not designated by SITLA to remain open should be reclaimed by the mine operator as soon as possible. SITLA will accept responsibility for the potions of access road that it designates to remain open, after the stabilization work is completed, and the mine operator may then be relieved of further responsibility in this regard.

I am attaching a color map showing which portions of the access road that SITLA designates to remain open as a permanent land use feature within Section 2, T16S, R6E, SLB&M. The boundary of Section 2 is outlined in blue line on the map. The portions of the access road designated by SITLA to remain open and to be stabilized within Section 2 are drawn as black and green lines upon the map. The portions of access road to be immediately reclaimed by the mine operator are shown as red lines upon the map. The line shown in purple is a road upon US Forest Service lands leading to Section 2 from the South. SITLA requests that this road also remain open for ingress and egress of Section 2.

Your favorable and timely consideration of this request is appreciated.

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